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Patty Wohl, Deputy Director

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Yvonne Hunter, League of California Cities

Mark Murray, Californians Against Waste

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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Good morning.
3	I'd like to call our meeting to order and welcome
4	everybody to the August meeting of the California
5	Integrated Waste Management Board.
6	Would the secretary please call the roll.
7	SECRETARY WADDELL: Marin?
8	BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Present.
9	SECRETARY WADDELL: Mulé?
10	BOARD MEMBER MULÉ: Here.
11	SECRETARY WADDELL: Paparian?
12	BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Here.
13	SECRETARY WADDELL: Peace?
14	BOARD MEMBER PEACE: Here.
15	SECRETARY WADDELL: Washington?
16	BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Here.
17	SECRETARY WADDELL: Moulton-Patterson?
18	CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Here.
19	Thank you.
20	Any ex partes, Ms. Mulé?
21	BOARD MEMBER MULÉ: I'm up to date.
22	CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Ms. Peace.
23	BOARD MEMBER PEACE: I'm also up to date.
24	BOARD MEMBER MARIN: So am I.
25	CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I spoke with Michael
- 2 Sweeney briefly about the e-waste regulations. Other than
- 3 that, I'm up to date.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 5 Mr. Washington.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: I'm up to date.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm also up to
- 8 date.
- 9 And we're going to get going. It's good to see
- 10 everybody. We have somewhat of a short meeting, I
- 11 anticipate, but you never know. Sometimes the short
- 12 meetings are the longest meetings. So I never say. But
- 13 I'll be going over the agenda in a moment after the
- 14 reports, and then the Board will be having a closed
- 15 session today at the conclusion of the meeting.
- But let's start with Ms. Mulé. Any reports?
- 17 BOARD MEMBER MULÉ: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 18 Yes, I had, again, another busy month just trying
- 19 to get out and about and learning more about what's going
- 20 on in the communities throughout the state.
- 21 Did go on a number of tours in Stanislaus County,
- 22 Orange County. Did get to the L.A. Fibers, which we saw
- 23 at our meeting last month. Very interesting tour that
- 24 was.
- 25 I also attended a Conversion Technology Workshop

- 1 with the city of Los Angeles at the end of July.
- 2 I attended the Tire Stewardship Workshop here
- 3 that Mike Paparian helped host.
- 4 Did a Bay Area tour. Saw the Richmond Sanitary
- 5 Service and got to see Joe Garbarino's operation, which
- 6 was very, very interesting.
- 7 Also did have an opportunity to visit the Sonoma
- 8 tire sites, a few of those. And given the fact we're
- 9 working on that, that was very interesting.
- 10 And also on August 5th, I was the speaker at the
- 11 Los Angeles County Disposal Association, which went very,
- 12 very well. And --
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I know they
- 14 appreciated you coming.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER MULÉ: That's it. Thank you, Madam
- 16 Chair.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: On July 21st, I met with the
- 18 city of San Diego to preview their new recycling campaign.
- 19 It was developed in part with money from the Department of
- 20 Conservation. I just think it would be nice if the
- 21 Department of Conservation could develop a recycling
- 22 campaign that could be adopted by jurisdictions statewide.
- 23 July 28th, I also attended the Tire Product
- 24 Stewardship meeting. I heard a lot about civil
- 25 engineering uses, RAC, and tire-derived fuel, but not much

- 1 on any real product stewardship from the tire
- 2 manufacturers.
- 3 I also visited the Stockton Cogen plant. Using
- 4 tire derived fuel is a clean environmentally-safe way to
- 5 produce electricity, while at the same time keeping tires
- 6 out of our landfills and stockpiles. Stockton Cogen uses
- 7 several million tires a year, thus reducing the amount of
- 8 coal that has to be imported into our state every year.
- 9 On July 29th, I was the speaker at the Upper San
- 10 Luis Rey Resource Conservation District cleanup kickoff.
- 11 It was so sad to see the piles of garbage, old appliances,
- 12 cars, furniture, and even dead animals that people
- 13 intentionally dump. But I did get a lot of satisfaction
- 14 representing the Board in this cleanup effort, knowing
- 15 that we helped make it possible with a grant from our  ${\tt Farm}$
- 16 and Ranch Cleanup and Abatement Program.
- On August 4th, in a meeting arranged by my office
- 18 and Randy Iwasaki, who is the Acting Chief Deputy Director
- 19 of Caltrans, I, along with Jim Lee, Bob Fujii, and Stacey
- 20 Patenaude met with some of the Caltrans people to discuss
- 21 the uses of RAC and the use of tires in civil engineering
- 22 applications. We also discussed some of the challenges
- 23 that each of us face. I don't know how much this meeting
- 24 actually accomplished, but it was my hope to establish
- 25 more open communication between Caltrans and the Board.

- 1 Randy is a big RAC supporter. And it is his goal to get
- 2 Caltrans to use RAC in 30 percent of their projects next
- 3 year. So that was very encouraging.
- 4 That's my report.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. We
- 6 appreciate all your efforts, especially in the area of
- 7 Special Waste. Thank you, because I know that's not easy.
- 8 Ms. Marin.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Madam Chair, I visited along
- 10 with my colleagues, and they've already mentioned, both
- 11 with Cheryl I visited La Montaa, and we went to see CRM
- 12 and Lakin Tire. And then with Ms. Mulé, Sunshine Canyon
- 13 tour and El Sobrante. That was a huge drive from one end
- 14 of L.A. County to another one. It was just amazing. But
- 15 it was very enlightening.
- I was a speaker in Rosarito, Mexico at an
- 17 Environmental and Health Conference on July 23rd.
- 18 And went and spoke at the UES Institute in
- 19 Mariposa, California. And I just got to tell you, I was
- 20 so impressed with those kids and what the teachers did to
- 21 have the kids actually do an audit of the trash at their
- 22 school. And I was very, very impressed. A little town
- 23 where everybody comes together from the county, school, to
- 24 the City Council. Everybody was there. It was just
- 25 amazing. And I got to tell you, Joanne, she does such a

- 1 great job.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: She sure does.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER MARIN: I went to visit the Sonoma
- 4 tire sites, and also went to San Diego to visit a couple
- 5 of sites from Allied. Chuck was there. Where's Chuck
- 6 Helget? There you are. Thank you.
- 7 And yesterday we went to the Roseville Recycling
- 8 Facility and also a MRF in Placer County. I've been very,
- 9 very busy.
- 10 I also participated in a small program. The
- 11 title of the program was "Oil and Water Don't Mix" put
- 12 together by the local -- is it Channel 3? It was Channel
- 13 3. It was very nice. And that was through a grant that
- 14 this Board gave.
- 15 So I'm very busy next month. I'm going to be
- 16 also very busy with my colleagues visiting some sites. So
- 17 I'm very excited, and I thank everybody that has helped me
- 18 go around. And we have great staff. I'm just very proud
- 19 of them, Madam Chair. Thank you.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Ms.
- 21 Marin.
- I just have to ask our two new Board members,
- 23 have you had time to sleep? Just kidding. But it is
- 24 really great to see the interest both of you have taken in
- 25 going out in the field and seeing that. I just really

- 1 think we all appreciate it.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER MARIN: I just want to mention that
- 3 I did visit a site from Hewlett-Packard. They recycle all
- 4 of their materials, and that was just amazing. And I know
- 5 Mr. Paparian has been there a few times. It's an
- 6 extremely -- more than enlighting. It's just amazing what
- 7 they're doing, and the quantity of boards and cell phones
- 8 and everything that they recycle. I know Ms. Mulé is
- 9 going to be there next week, I believe. So just amazing.
- 10 And they're also -- I'll mention that when the
- 11 item comes, but they're also supporting some of our
- 12 efforts later on in the agenda.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 14 Paparian.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- I also took a little tour of the facilities in
- 17 Stanislaus County, including the Turlock Transfer Station,
- 18 the Fink Road Landfill, the composting facility for the
- 19 city of Modesto and the Covanta Energy Facility. I also
- 20 met with some of the local citizens who have had some
- 21 issues and concerns with some of those facilities.
- I visited Three-D Plastics, a recipient of an
- 23 RMDZ loan as well as a Tire Product Commercialization
- 24 Grant. And they are doing some remarkable things with the
- 25 recycling of both plastics and tires into a variety of

- 1 highway safety products and other products.
- 2 The Product Stewardship Institute Tire Forum was
- 3 already mentioned. I think we'll probably be hearing more
- 4 about that in the coming months. I think it really offers
- 5 an exciting opportunity to engage the tire manufacturers
- 6 in taking a little bit more responsibility for some front
- 7 end and back end solutions to some of the tire problems
- 8 we're facing.
- 9 Together with Mitch Delmage, we went out to the
- 10 UC Davis Institute of Transportation Studies, which is
- 11 working on the smart tire technology contract, which we
- 12 approved a few months ago. And they are doing some
- 13 remarkable things with various technologies effecting
- 14 transportation, roads, tires, and any product or fuel you
- 15 can imagine associated with transportation. They're also
- 16 in the process of relocating a test facility for highways
- 17 from Richmond to Davis. And this is something that's used
- 18 by Caltrans quite a bit to test various road technologies
- 19 as well as things they use, scraping and other things they
- 20 use on roads. I think that may offer some opportunities
- 21 as we try to assure that they incorporate RAC into their
- 22 future studies of what they'll need in the future.
- On e-waste, we've seen a lot of the staff and
- 24 we're going to see them today. And we've thanked them
- 25 profusely for the amount of work they've done to help us

- 1 on the implementation of SB 20, the e-waste program. But
- 2 some of the staff we don't see are the IMB folks, the
- 3 computer folks who are developing a lot of the tools
- 4 necessary to get collectors and recyclers and the
- 5 collection system and the payment system together and to
- 6 get our public website really in order and in good shape
- 7 for everybody who wants to know about this program. I
- 8 know that Doug Ralston and Chris Allen and Paige
- 9 Lettington and Mercy Caputi and Amarjot Biring have really
- 10 done a remarkable job of making sure that we have the
- 11 computer side -- the internal computer side of our e-waste
- 12 recycling program together. And I think they deserve some
- 13 thanks.
- 14 And since we have hopefully a short agenda today,
- 15 I thought it would be okay if I mentioned a little
- 16 something about my summer vacation.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sure. We'd love
- 18 to hear about your summer vacation. It's almost back to
- 19 school time.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I went with my family.
- 21 We went to Yosemite. We went over to the eastern sierra a
- 22 little bit. And we were over in a hot springs near
- 23 Mammoth, a little bit remote. It was the hot creek where
- 24 the hot springs flows right into a running creek. So you
- 25 have the hot and cold mixing together. It's a very

- 1 popular spot. A lot of tourists go there.
- We were there with my family. And there's
- 3 somebody talking about waste. And I look around, and it's
- 4 four members of our Waste Board staff who have just come
- 5 off a backpacking trip and were soothing themselves in the
- 6 hot springs. It was Reinhard Hohlwein and Dave Otsubo
- 7 from the P&E Division, Randy Freelander from P&E, and Bob
- 8 Horowitz from DPLA. Reinhard assured me that not only was
- 9 he vacationing, he was also on his way to a MOLO training
- 10 in the eastern sierras, lest I think he vacations too
- 11 much. But it was fun to run into our four staff people
- 12 there. What an unusual place.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: That's great.
- Mr. Washington.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 16 Just a couple of things here. I had the opportunity to
- 17 speak at the SWANA Private Sector's Initiative on
- 18 Construction Debris Management Workshop in Long Beach,
- 19 which was very informational and informal.
- 20 The type of folks that were there were some good
- 21 people. And to hear them talk about where we're going
- 22 with construction debris is certainly -- it was exciting
- 23 for me to just inform them that I was on a mission to save
- 24 the California Integrated Waste Management Board and that
- 25 I wanted everybody I could find to write a letter to the

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- 1 Governor about how important this public board is. And I
- 2 believe that the word went out and those folks are really
- 3 excited about helping us get the word out to the CPR
- 4 Committee and those folks and letting them know what the
- 5 California Integrated Waste Board does.
- 6 As Chair of Public Outreach and Education, one of
- 7 the things I will be doing, Madam Chair, is certainly
- 8 making sure people do understand what this Board is about.
- 9 I saw a great article on the Water Resources Board and
- 10 those folks in the San Francisco Chronicle. Never
- 11 mentioned the California Integrated Waste Board. And we
- 12 will be contacting those folks and saying, hey, this is
- 13 what the California Integrated Waste Board does and that's
- 14 why it's critical to maintain this Board as a public
- 15 Board.
- I'll be on a mission from now until whatever
- 17 happens with the report to make sure that our message gets
- 18 out that we are just as important. And I consider this
- 19 Board to be more important than some of the other boards
- 20 that exist around the state of California.
- 21 Likewise, on the 23rd, I attended with Senator
- 22 Chesbro a very successful press conference. And I want to
- 23 thank the Public Affairs folks. They put me up in a big
- 24 ol' truck and had me dumping trash over down in Clear Lake
- 25 where we had given a half-million dollar grant to the city

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- 1 of Clear Lake to help them with one of their illegal dump
- 2 cleaning grant projects.
- 3 It was scary for a minute, and then when I got
- 4 the hang of it, I invited John to come join me, but he ran
- 5 back to the top of the hill. He didn't want to get in the
- 6 line of fire.
- 7 So, again, I want to thank the staff for doing
- 8 such a great job. And, again, I saw some of the articles.
- 9 It was an excellent article as to what the Board is all
- 10 about. That's what we want to do is we want to get the
- 11 word out.
- 12 And then finally, Madam Chair, I'd like to
- 13 comment on the memo I received from our Executive Director
- 14 regarding the city of Gardena and their diversion
- 15 compliance. And I would like to report they've done --
- 16 they're doing an excellent job, and we want them to
- 17 continue to move forward. This is what we like to see,
- 18 these type of projects, when we put someone on compliance,
- 19 to make sure we work with them.
- I want to thank Pat Schiavo and his staff for
- 21 doing an excellent job in working with those folks in the
- 22 city of Gardena and helping them come under compliance to
- 23 our local assistance projects. And, again, kudos go out
- 24 to the Local Assistance staff and all you guys who have
- 25 done an excellent job. Thank you.

- 1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 2 Washington. We appreciate it.
- 3 First of all, I'd like to say congratulations to
- 4 Shirley Willd-Wagner. I watched her son in the finals for
- 5 the Olympics. And, wow, we're going to be seeing him in
- 6 four years, I'm sure. And you must be so proud. He's
- 7 very young still, so he has a great future. And we're
- 8 just -- I know it's taken a lot of time for you and your
- 9 husband getting up at 4:00 in the morning and all that to
- 10 take him to practice. But we're really proud of him and
- 11 proud of you. Thank you.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Madam Chair, what did
- 13 he do?
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: He was in the
- 15 finals for the Olympics swimming.
- 16 BRANCH MANAGER WILLD-WAGNER: Olympic trials.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: But isn't that
- 18 the finals kind of, the finals to go to the Olympics. In
- 19 my mind, it is.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: I was going to say to
- 21 Shirley, Madam Chair, that I'll take him on, but I can't
- 22 swim.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: He is a champion.
- 24 Like I say, I know we'll see him at the Olympics in four
- 25 years. So thank you so much for doing such a great job,

- 1 Shirley. We appreciate it.
- 2 Also, I would like to -- I attended the
- 3 partnership -- the AB 1568 partnership meeting for
- 4 education and the environment. I know many of you have
- 5 attended those meetings. And I just have to say that I am
- 6 so impressed with what I see. This is a landmark bill
- 7 that requires the coordination of responsibilities between
- 8 the Secretary of CalEPA, the Integrated Waste Management
- 9 Board, the Secretary of Education, the State
- 10 Superintendent of Schools, the State Board of Education,
- 11 the Legislature, and also has input from the environmental
- 12 community, the business community, local citizens, and
- 13 teachers, just educators that aren't in any of the
- 14 organizations. And as you might know, not all these
- 15 people get along all the time. And this is really a feet
- 16 that we have come so far.
- 17 And I just want to point out that this would not
- 18 have happened without CalEPA's Andrea Lewis and my
- 19 advisor, Bonnie Bruce, who have managed this. And, of
- 20 course, with Joanne Vorhies and her great team in
- 21 education, they've made this happen. And I just wanted to
- 22 point that out, because not only has Bonnie served me full
- 23 time as my advisor, but she has also spent a great deal of
- 24 time on 1548, not only as my advisor, but as a volunteer
- 25 and spent many weekends and nights. And I just want to

- 1 recognize Bonnie for all of her hard work, because she
- 2 really has done a fantastic job, Bonnie.
- 3 (Applause)
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And I've made her
- 5 blush, and she doesn't like that when I do that. So I
- 6 didn't tell her I was doing this. But it really is
- 7 phenomenal. And this bill wouldn't have come this far
- 8 without Andrea and Bonnie and Joanne. So thank you.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Madam Chair, can I just
- 10 comment?
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sure.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: I was there, too.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I know you were.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: And forgive me for
- 15 that. And I, too -- and you did it well. Bonnie and the
- 16 CalEPA folks are doing an excellent job of this bill and
- 17 my kudos go to them, likewise.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 19 Washington.
- 20 Okay. Before I turn it over to Mr. Leary, I'd
- 21 like you to please agendize as Item 1 for the September
- 22 21st Board the election of a Chair and Vice Chair. And
- 23 that's Item Number 1, please, on the September agenda.
- 24 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Will do, Madam Chair.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very

- 1 much.
- With that, I will ask for your report, Mr. Leary.
- 3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Good morning, Members.
- 4 Once again, I always start by thanking all of you
- 5 for your positive comments about staff. And speaking of
- 6 the positive work of our staff and the value of this
- 7 Board, I have kind of a two-part Executive Director's
- 8 report today. I'd like to do kind of the business items
- 9 first and take a few of those, but I'd like to take
- 10 advantage of the fact that we potentially have a lighter
- 11 agenda today and do a little year-end review. We're at
- 12 the end of the fiscal year, embarked on the end of a
- 13 fiscal year, and I think we have a lot to be proud of and
- 14 we've accomplished a lot in the last fiscal year.
- 15 And I'm going to do a report that I've prepared
- 16 with the help of exec staff, and particularly the help of
- 17 Jon Myers, Deb Orrill, and Chris Peck, to look back over
- 18 the fiscal year 2003/04 and observe some of the positive
- 19 things that happened as a result of the Board's
- 20 activities.
- 21 So on the business side, I'd like to start with
- 22 an update to you all on the suggestion box prioritization
- 23 effort. Member Peace and Member Paparian asked me last
- 24 month to make an effort with the executive staff to
- 25 prioritize all the suggestions made by our staff, both

- 1 through the electronic suggestion box and in their
- 2 all-staff meetings with you.
- 3 I'd hoped to have completed that effort and have
- 4 contributed by now, by this Board meeting, and we're darn
- 5 close. But what we've done is half completed the
- 6 prioritization effort, and we've prepared a spreadsheet
- 7 I'd like to distribute by the end of the week hopefully,
- 8 certainly the first of next week, to you all and to all
- 9 staff of the Board commenting on how we've recognized all
- 10 their suggestions, identified them, prioritized them, and
- 11 are suggesting back to you, the Board, and to them our
- 12 recommendations for how we address those suggestions in
- 13 the coming months. So look for that here by the end of
- 14 the week. And, again, I guess I apologize for not making
- 15 today's deadline. But like I said, we're real close.
- 16 Another positive news, I'd like to give a little
- 17 update on La Montaa. To recap recent developments, the
- 18 city of Huntington Park's petition for a court ordered
- 19 receiver for the property was granted on July 13th. This
- 20 receiver has the authority to make decisions on the
- 21 property, including authorization to proceed with the
- 22 cleanup project approved by the Board in June.
- 23 On August 5th, staff submitted a written request
- 24 to the receiver for authorization to proceed. Staff
- 25 included the Board's contractor's removal plan, identified

- 1 potential destination facilities for the material, and
- 2 initial price quotes. The CEQA Notice of Exemption
- 3 statute of limitations has concluded without challenge.
- 4 In addition, staff forwarded our community health and
- 5 safety plan for the project to the city as well to
- 6 Communities for a Better Environment for their review and
- 7 comment.
- 8 In reply, CBE staff expressed their appreciation
- 9 for the Board's responsiveness to community concerns and
- 10 indicated their intent to use the Board's plan as a model
- 11 for other projects. They also offered thanks for the
- 12 Board's open process.
- 13 And we have good news about the cost of the
- 14 project also. The cost estimates are at the low end of
- 15 our initial estimate, about \$2.1 million. The project is
- 16 expected to take 60 working days, and most of the material
- 17 will likely be used as engineering fill at a fully
- 18 permitted inert mine reclamation facility. Upon
- 19 authorization by the receiver, final price quotes from
- 20 these facilities and cost estimates will be established.
- 21 We are dealing with some delay in starting up the
- 22 project as a consequence of working with this new
- 23 receiver. However, we do anticipate that he will review
- 24 our report favorably. It is our current best guess staff
- 25 will hold a public meeting around mid September and the

- 1 project might start late in the month and continue into
- 2 December. We'll continue to keep you updated on this
- 3 project.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very
- 5 much. That's good news.
- 6 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: That is good news.
- 7 Continuing saga of the Anderson Landfill. On
- 8 January 30th, 2004, the LEA for the county of Shasta
- 9 received a request and granted a temporary waiver on
- 10 February 12th, 2004, pursuant to the Code of Regulations
- 11 to temporarily increase the permitted height limit at the
- 12 Anderson landfill. An extension of the waiver was granted
- 13 on May 11th that continued to August 10th, 2004. The LEA
- 14 then granted a second extension requiring all the waste
- 15 temporarily stored above the permitted height limit to be
- 16 relocated to the newly constructed subtitle D lined cell
- 17 by August 30th.
- In the request made to the LEA, the operator
- 19 projected that the relocation of the waste would be
- 20 completed within a few days after the expiration of the
- 21 agreement, that is August 10th, but requested additional
- 22 time to complete the project. Board staff found that the
- 23 additional time was not warranted. And under my
- 24 authority, the extension has been limited to August 20th,
- 25 2004. Because of the Shasta lake fire, the LEA was not

- 1 able to make her report to you today. However, both the
- 2 operator and the LEA have indicated the site will be in
- 3 compliance by our mandated August 20th.
- 4 And then finally in the recent good news
- 5 department, the EPP Task Force, as I reported to the
- 6 Sustainability Committee, that is the Environmentally
- 7 Preferable Purchasing, is making great stride. It has
- 8 representatives from 15 different state agencies, UC
- 9 Office of the President, and the California Community
- 10 Colleges Foundation.
- 11 We met on July 28th. The major focus of this
- 12 task force is to implement Assembly Bill 498 through a
- 13 partnership with DGS, the Board, and other major
- 14 stakeholders. This partnership establishes a program to
- 15 provide state agencies with information and assistance
- 16 regarding environmentally preferable purchasing. The task
- 17 force has met intermittently for some time and has been
- 18 meeting monthly in 2004. But recent appointments of the
- 19 new General Services Director and the new Deputy Director
- 20 for Procurement has given this task force new life and
- 21 energy.
- 22 At the July 28th meeting, the members signed a
- 23 charter reinforcing the administration's commitment to and
- 24 the executive support for the work the task force is
- 25 doing. DGS Director Ron Joseph and Deputy Director of

- 1 Procurement Rita Hamilton spoke to the group about the
- 2 Department's strong commitment to EPP strategic sourcing
- 3 and procurement reform. Ms. Hamilton will now co-chair
- 4 the task force for the Board.
- 5 With the administration's focus on procurement
- 6 reform, I think we'll see some very positive outcomes from
- 7 the task force in the near future and promise to keep you
- 8 updated on its progress.
- 9 That concludes the business portion of my
- 10 Executive Director's report. Now I ask you to kind of sit
- 11 back, get comfortable, take a look at your screens, and
- 12 let's do a little year review 2003/2004, and Deb will
- 13 assist me by operating the projector here.
- 14 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- presented as follows.)
- 16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: The Board has made
- 17 many great accomplishments over the last fiscal year, and
- 18 there are many reasons to be proud of what we do here
- 19 every day. We provided more than \$36 million in grants
- 20 and more than \$7.4 million in loans to support local
- 21 diversion, market development, and enforcement activities.
- Our cleanup program eliminated a number of
- 23 illegal dumps across the state, and we provided
- 24 educational materials and resources to school and hundreds
- 25 of districts. We have very much to be proud of.

- 1 It was a year of change as well. In October of
- 2 last year, we welcomed the new Governor of California as
- 3 well as a new Secretary of CalEPA. We said goodbye to two
- 4 of our Board members, and welcomed two new ones. And
- 5 legislation has brought new programs.
- I'd like to take a few minutes to recap some of
- 7 the many highlights from last year. While we'd like to
- 8 celebrate each and every accomplishment over the last
- 9 year, there just isn't enough time in our Board meeting to
- 10 do so today. So please remember that all the events,
- 11 issues, conferences, and programs we've worked on are
- 12 significant and are important to what we do as a Board.
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- 14 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: One of the first
- 15 highlights took place in August of 2003, the Yulupa School
- 16 cleanup in Santa Rosa.
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- 18 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: An arson-caused fire
- 19 that damaged tire-derived playground material of Yulupa
- 20 Elementary School in Santa Rosa just prior to the
- 21 beginning of the school year triggered a plea from the --
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- 23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- principal to the
- 24 Board for assistance with cleanup. The Board responded
- 25 with a \$61,000 cleanup to remove and properly dispose of

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 1 the fire-damaged playground tire chips.
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             EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: In September of 2003
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             EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- we dedicated the
   RAC project at the --
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 8
             EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- new East End office
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    complex in downtown Sacramento. A $250,000 grant to the
10
    Department of General Services funded the use of RAC
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12
    paving on city streets surrounding the East End Complex.
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             EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Former Board Vice
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    Chair Medina participated in the dedication.
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             EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Also in September,
18
    then-Governor Gray Davis signed SB 20, the Electronic
   Waste Recycling Act of 2003.
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20 --000--

21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Board Member Paparian

joined former CalEPA Secretary Hickox and --22

23 --000--

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- then-DTSC Director 24

25 Lowry at a press conference in the Bay Area to announce

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1 the signing of SB 20 to address California's e-waste
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- 2 challenge.
- 3 --000--
- 4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: September also saw our
- 5 Waste Tire Conference. Several Board members as well as
- 6 staff --
- 7 --000--
- 8 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- participated in
- 9 this event. The conference presented the Board's --
- 10 --00o--
- 11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- perspective on
- 12 dealing with illegal waste tire disposal south of the
- 13 border and other related issues.
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- 15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: In October of 2003,
- 16 Governor Davis held a signing ceremony in Santa Monica for
- 17 AB 1548.
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- 19 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: This legislation paves
- 20 the way for state agencies with environmental programs to
- 21 coordinate with our office and the CalEPA.
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- 23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: The coordinated effort
- 24 will develop, incorporate, and implement environmental
- 25 principles and concepts in a unified education strategy

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1 for all California elementary and secondary schools.
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- 3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Also in October, the
- 4 Board participated in the grand opening of Habitat for
- 5 Humanity ReStore warehouse --
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- 7 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- on 7th Street in
- 8 Sacramento. The ReStore warehouse offers consumers good
- 9 quality new and --
- 10 --00o--
- 11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- reusable home
- 12 improvement and building materials at pennies on the
- 13 dollar, including recycled paint --
- 14 --000--
- 15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- stocked on the
- 16 store shelves.
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- 18 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Our Office of Public
- 19 Affairs rolled out the Board's new "Zero Waste" message at
- 20 the 2003 League of Cities --
- 21 --000--
- 22 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- Exposition in
- 23 Sacramento where --
- --000--
- 25 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- Board Member Peace

presented Resources for the Future awards to several deserving cities. 3 --000--4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Another wonderful event that took place in October was the Torrey Pines High 5 School track dedication --6 7 --000--8 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- in San Diego. Board Member Peace attended the dedication ceremony for 9 the track --10 --000--

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- resurfacing work 12

which was completed with \$100,000 grant from the Board. 13

14 The project installed a rubberized, all-weather, nine-lane

400-meter running track at the school in conjunction --15

16 --000--

17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- with a stadium

18 improvement project that included installation of

artificial turf, new handicap accessible bathrooms, and 19

safety lighting. 20

21 --000--

22 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: In November, we were

pleased to have Board Member Washington acknowledge the 23

Board's \$700,000 RMDZ --24

25 --000--

1	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: loan to Electronic
2	Partners Corporation in Los Angeles. The company will use
3	the money to divert up to 5 million pounds
4	000
5	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: of electronic waste
6	per month, or approximately 30,000 tons a year
7	000
8	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: and is projected to
9	create an additional 97 jobs.
10	000
11	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: November also kicked
12	off the start of our 2003 WRAP of the Year tour, with
13	Board Chair Moulton-Patterson
14	000
15	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: making a
16	presentation to the Blue & Gold Fleet in San Francisco. A
17	windy day, obviously. In 2002
18	000
19	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: the Blue & Gold
20	Fleet recycled 100,000 pounds of cardboard, 32,000 pounds
21	of paper, and 6,000 gallons of oil and installed energy
22	efficient lighting to save 82,000 kilowatt hours per year.
23	Through its engine re-power program for ferry vessels, the
24	companies had reduced its use of diesel fuel by more than
25	100,000 gallons annually.

1	The Chair also presented WRAP of the Year award
2	in December
3	000
4	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: to the Community
5	Environmental Council in Santa Barbara. The CEC is a
6	nonprofit environmental education organization
7	000
8	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: with six centers
9	and 20 employees and operates ten education programs,
10	providing community services
11	000
12	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: related to water
13	quality protection, hazardous waste management, recycling
14	and waste reduction, integrated pest management, and
15	energy conservation.
16	000
17	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: And who can forget
18	these dramatic photos from the Red Rock Canyon State Park
19	cleanup in January?
20	000
21	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: At the request of the
22	State Department of Parks and Recreation, the Board
23	commenced a \$125,000 cleanup operation
24	000
25	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: at the 28,000 acre

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1 park in Kern County. Using helicopters to remove several
    abandoned vehicles from the steep ravines of the --
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             EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- popular hiking and
   off-road park, the Board accomplished a difficult
 5
   operation that past attempts using two tow trucks failed
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    to complete. That's one of our staff operating that
 8
   helicopter, I believe.
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             EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Also in January, we
10
11 celebrated another WRAP of the Year winner, the Hitachi
12 Automotive Products in Torrance. Board Member --
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            EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- Washington was on
   hand to recognize Hitachi's waste reduction and recycling
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16
    achievements. The plant has diverted more than 2.4
   million pounds of materials, metals, and plastics from
17
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   local landfills.
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            EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Another WRAP of the --
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22
             EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- Year awards tour
    continued in Redding at Turtle Bay Exploration Park.
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Board Member Paparian recognized the --

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1	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: accomplishments of
2	this not-for-profit park, which operates
3	000
4	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: a large scale
5	recycling and waste reduction program. More than 700 tons
6	of
7	000
8	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: materials were
9	reused or recycled by the museum last year.
10	Turtle Bay's in-house campaign to use fewer
11	supplies and materials has saved the nonprofit
12	approximately \$19,000. The facility itself is built with
13	many recycled materials and with environmental stewardship
14	and sustainability in mind.
15	000
16	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: February 2004 brought
17	us to another great WRAP of the Year winner
18	000
19	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: at Toyota North
20	American Part Center in Ontario. Here Secretary Tamminen
21	joined Board Member Washington in
22	000
23	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: recognizing the
24	efforts of this business, which employs 516 workers and is
25	committed to protecting the environment through natural
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1	resource conservation
2	000
3	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: recycling,
4	pollution prevention, and other initiatives.
5	000
6	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: In March, we
7	highlighted the Board's \$2 million
8	000
9	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: RMDZ loan to Looney
10	Bins for its new "Downtown Diversion" location in
11	Los Angeles. Secretary Tamminen and Board members
12	000
13	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: toured the new
14	facility, which is now processing a wide variety of
15	construction and demolition materials.
16	000
17	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Downtown Diversion
18	will create approximately 75 new jobs over the next three
19	years and will divert approximately 50,000 tons per year
20	of construction and demolition debris in the L.A. region.
21	000
22	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: March was also trade
23	show month.
24	000
25	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Board officials, local
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1	dignitaries, staff, and the public poured into the
2	Sacramento Convention Center for the
3	000
4	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Recycled Product
5	Trade Show, the premier West Coast event of its kind.
6	More than 100 exhibitors and 2,000 buyers
7	000
8	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: specification
9	writers, project managers, and support staff attended the
10	two-day show.
11	000
12	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: The Board's used oil
13	and household hazardous waste conference provided an
14	000
15	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: opportunity to
16	recognize some of the many excellent local programs that
17	are helping to keep unwanted material out of our
18	landfills.
19	000
20	000
21	000
22	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Another wonderful and
23	some say Goofy event, was Jiminy Cricket's
24	Environmentality Challenge awards at Disneyland in April.

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1	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Secretary Tamminen
2	honored the fifth-grade students from Park View Center
3	School in Semi Valley, California, and their teacher, Deni
4	Lopez
5	000
6	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: as the 2004 grand
7	prize winners. The statewide competition promotes
8	environmental stewardship among students who complete
9	action projects and make
10	000
11	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: pledges to think
12	and act with the environment in mind. More than 600,000
13	California students have participated in the challenge
14	since its inception in 1994.
15	That's not one of our staff.
16	000
17	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: On April 22nd,
18	Governor Schwarzenegger appointed the two newest members
19	of the Board, Rosario Marin and Rosalie Mulé.
20	000
21	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Ms. Marin represents
22	the general public on the Board, and Ms. Mulé occupies the
23	position reserved for someone with private sector
24	experience in waste management.

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1	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Members Marin and Mul
2	were both sworn in shortly after being appointed by the
3	Governor and participated in their first public meeting of
4	the Board in June.
5	000
6	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Also in April, the
7	Board accepted honors
8	000
9	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: from U.S. EPA in
10	the Region IX 2004 Environmental Awards for the success of
11	the Jobs Through Recycling Program. This project brought
12	together the economic development and recycling
13	communities in Alameda County to demonstrate the benefits
14	of establishing regional markets for locally recovered
15	recyclable materials.
16	000
17	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: In May, Board Member
18	Washington presented a \$275,000
19	000
20	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: RMDZ loan to Ability
21	Counts in Corona. Ability Counts provides vocation
22	training and employment for persons with developmental
23	disabilities.
24	000
25	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Their 56,000-square
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1 foot Corona facility has an annual budget of $6.8
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- 2 million --
- 3 --000--
- 4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- employs 525
- 5 developmentally disabled persons, and maintains a
- 6 recycling program in Riverside.
- 7 I understand Mr. Washington now owns that shirt,
- 8 he liked it so much.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: And the hat.
- 10 --00o--
- 11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: The Board participated
- 12 in the waste tire hauler checkpoint here in Sacramento.
- 13 This is one of --
- 14 --000--
- 15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- several unannounced
- 16 checkpoints operated by the California Highway Patrol to
- 17 monitor waste tire haulers' compliance with the state
- 18 waste tire hauler manifest regulations.
- 19 --00o--
- 20 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Trucks in Sacramento
- 21 and around the state are being stopped and their drivers
- 22 checked for the required documents, including registration
- 23 papers and trip logs for their waste tire deliveries.
- 24 --000--
- 25 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Still in April, a busy

- 1 month, Board Members Marin and Washington, along with
- 2 local and district officials --
- 3 --000--
- 4 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Visited the Desert
- 5 Sands Unified School District Office in La Quinta to
- 6 celebrate its new food waste composting program. The
- 7 district, a participant in the Board's Environmental
- 8 Ambassadors pilot --
- 9 --00--
- 10 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- is using an \$89,000
- 11 grant to help establish waste diversion activities,
- 12 including an organic composting program, and integrate
- 13 those activities in the classroom curricula.
- 14 The program will turn food wastes from select
- 15 schools located in the cities of Indian Wells and Palm
- 16 Desert into organic compost to help the city's residents
- 17 grow greener lawns and gardens.
- 19 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: In May, Board staff
- 20 toured the Indian Wells Tennis Gardens complex --
- 21 --000--
- 22 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- site of a very
- 23 successful large scale food composing project coordinated
- 24 by the city of Indian Wells. Tennis Gardens is the site
- 25 of the annual two-week long --

1	00
2	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Tennis Master
3	Series, drawing an estimated attendance of nearly 200,000.
4	This pilot project began in 2001, and over the
5	past year introduced a biodegradable food service
6	component at the Tennis Garden facility and substantially
7	expanded its food scraps collection and cardboard
8	000
9	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: and container
10	recycling efforts.
11	We are getting increasingly positive evidence
12	from the Indian Wells project that large-scale food scrap
13	diversion holds promise for many jurisdictions.
14	00
15	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: And in June, Board
16	Member Washington joined Assembly Member Bermudez
17	000
18	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: and city leaders in
19	dedicating a running track at Liberty Park in the city of
20	Cerritos. A \$100,000 grant from the Board to the city
21	helped provide a new recycled rubber content
22	00
23	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: surface for the
24	330-yard long Liberty Park community jogging track.
25	This track resurfacing project represents one of
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- 1 the most beneficial and appreciated uses of waste tires.
- 2 --000--
- 3 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: The ever shy and
- 4 retiring Board Member Washington then jogged over to 92nd
- 5 Street School in Los Angeles where Assembly Member Dymally
- 6 joined him in another dedication.
- 7 --000--
- 8 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Here, again, waste
- 9 tires were used to resurface the track at this Watts-area
- 10 elementary school.
- --000--
- 12 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: The Board awarded a
- 13 \$25,000 matching grant that helped the Los Angeles Unified
- 14 School District complete the project. In addition, 150 --
- --o0o--
- 16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: -- students from the
- 17 school were awarded bronze-, silver-, and gold-level
- 18 honors for outstanding achievement in the school's
- 19 first-ever Olympics athletic competition, which were held
- 20 on the new track. Mr. Washington hasn't reported which
- 21 level he got. I think the kids probably beat him, though.
- --000--
- 23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Finally, last, but
- 24 certainly Not least is our Royster waste tire site in
- 25 Tracy. This has been an ongoing --

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2	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: project since we
3	began final fire suppressions at the site in 2000 to
4	extinguish hot spots of a seven million tire fire that
5	occurred in 1998. To date, our contractor has removed
6	000
7	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: over 121,000 tons
8	of California hazardous waste left in the tire's passing.
9	A total of 5,110 loads have been transported to a
10	hazardous waste facility in Kettleman Hills. The project
11	has also unearthed pockets of pyrolytic oil, solid waste,
12	and evidence of previous small tire fires. The hazardous
13	waste removal phase will be completed by October 2004.
14	000
15	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: As I said, much has
16	happened over the last year. And this is only a portion
17	of the great things the Board has done. You can see how
18	Board grants alone are used to better our environment and
19	our economy for California. And while we have done much
20	over the last year, the new fiscal year presents many more
21	opportunities to work toward a zero waste California.
22	And with that, Madam Chair, I conclude my report.
23	CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. That
24	was great. I really appreciate your office, John, for
25	putting that together. You know, you forget how many
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1 things we have done over just the past year. So thank you

- 2 very much.
- 3 Okay. With that, we're going to get down to
- 4 business here on our agenda.
- 5 Item 13 has been pulled.
- 6 Item 5 was heard at Committee only.
- 7 Items 1 revised, 2, 3 revised, 6 revised, and 7
- 8 through 12 have been proposed for the consent agenda.
- 9 I understand that you'd like to pull Item Number
- 10 3 off that consent, Ms. Peace.
- BOARD MEMBER PEACE: Yes, that's correct.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We'll put it on
- 13 the full agenda.
- Were there any others?
- 15 Thank you.
- 16 So once the consent calendar is approved, the
- 17 full Board will hear Items 3, 4, 14, and 15. And we will
- 18 be having a somewhat extended closed session at the end of
- 19 this meeting. We might be taking a lunch break first,
- 20 depending on what time we close.
- 21 So with that, would you like to make an
- 22 additional report, Ms. Peace, on Special Waste?
- BOARD MEMBER PEACE: Yes. We did have a short
- 24 meeting. There was only a couple items.
- 25 But with regard to the grant appeal in Item

- 1 Number 1, the Committee decided to grant the appeals
- 2 before us as recommended by our staff and to have the
- 3 Executive Director be responsible for any future appeal
- 4 requests.
- 5 Separate from that vote, we've asked staff to
- 6 come back to the Committee with an item to address the
- 7 issues around grant application due dates for the
- 8 competitive and non-competitive grants.
- 9 The Tracy item has full Committee support. We
- 10 are formalizing an action the Board agreed to in May. The
- 11 original estimate to clean up the site was \$9 million, and
- 12 now we're at 11.5 million. And staff told us in the end
- 13 the Board probably will have spent about \$14 million
- 14 cleaning up this mess.
- 15 Finally, we received some suggestions from the
- 16 public on some new approaches to consider when we start to
- 17 review the Five-Year Plan next month. And I would also
- 18 like to remind anyone interested that there will be a
- 19 workshop this Thursday at 10:00 in the Sierra Room to
- 20 discuss the proposed tire manifest changes.
- 21 That concludes my report.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Ms.
- 23 Peace.
- 24 All the items on Special Waste were -- I'm sorry.
- 25 I'm going a little fast. We need to call the consent

- 1 calendar; correct?
- 2 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'll move the consent
- 3 calendar.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very
- 5 much.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Second.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Second.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And again, it's
- 9 Items 1, 2, 6 revised, 7 through 12 that are proposed for
- 10 consent.
- 11 Mr. Washington, did you second that?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Yes.
- BOARD MEMBER MARIN: I did.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, Ms. Marin.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Ms. Marin seconded
- 16 that.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion
- 18 to approve the consent calendar as read by Mr. Paparian
- 19 and seconded by Ms. Marin.
- 20 Please call the roll.
- 21 SECRETARY WADDELL: Marin?
- BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Aye.
- 23 SECRETARY WADDELL: Mulé?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER MULÉ: Aye.
- 25 SECRETARY WADDELL: Paparian?

- 1 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 2 SECRETARY WADDELL: Peace?
- BOARD MEMBER PEACE: Aye.
- 4 SECRETARY WADDELL: Washington?
- 5 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Aye.
- 6 SECRETARY WADDELL: Moulton-Patterson?
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 8 At this time we will go to Permitting and
- 9 Enforcement, and Ms. Marin is Chair of that Committee.
- 10 Ms. Marin.
- BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Madam Chair, the two items
- 12 that we had were actually for consent, but I understand
- 13 Ms. Peace is pulling 3. So I'm very excited to hear why
- 14 she pulled it.
- 15 It was very good. You know what I find most
- 16 amazing? There was a lot of concern about one particular
- 17 item, and staff was able to work really hard on Item
- 18 Number 2. And, to my surprise -- pleasant surprise, we
- 19 were able to come to an agreement with new language, and
- 20 everybody seems to be pretty happy about that. So I'm
- 21 delighted about that. Very, very short meeting as well,
- 22 Madam Chair. So we'll listen to Number 3.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: I just wanted to say the
- 25 reason I pulled this item is not that I had any real big

- 1 problems with it. But just in keeping the full Board
- 2 protocol, the full Board should hear every permit before
- 3 it.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you.
- 5 And with that we'll go to Mr. Levenson on Item Number 3.
- 6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEVENSON: Thank you, Madam
- 7 Chair. Good morning, Board members. Howard Levenson with
- 8 Permitting and Enforcement. Suzanne Hambleton from our
- 9 Permitting and Inspection Branch will make a short
- 10 presentation on this item. And if you have any specific
- 11 questions, we can go into more detail as needed.
- 12 SUPERVISOR HAMBLETON: Hi. I'm Suzanne
- 13 Hambleton. Thank you for this unexpected opportunity to
- 14 be before you.
- 15 I'm going to tell you about the Borrego Landfill,
- 16 the small landfill in the northeast corner of San Diego
- 17 County. It's owned and operated by Allied Waste
- 18 Industries.
- 19 Permitted tonnage is currently 50 tons per day.
- 20 That will not be changing in this permit revision. The
- 21 nearest resident is 1.8 miles away.
- 22 The proposed changes include a change in
- 23 acreage -- a small change in acreage, a change in the days
- 24 and hours of operation. A notice of exemption was
- 25 prepared by the lead agency for these small changes.

- 1 All of the required findings have been made, and
- 2 staff recommend that the Board concur in the proposed
- 3 permit and adopt Resolution 2004-210. Melissa Porter is
- 4 here representing the San Diego County LEA, and we can
- 5 answer any questions that you may have.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: I guess I just have one
- 7 question. So the site was a burn dump in the '60s. Is
- 8 that correct? It was a burn dump in the '60s and it is
- 9 unlined. And, yet, there are no environmental documents
- 10 to be found anywhere, yet we exempt it from CEQA. Is
- 11 this, like, normal for these older landfills?
- 12 SUPERVISOR HAMBLETON: We're exempting the two
- 13 small changes that have occurred, which are, I believe, an
- 14 increase in something like three acres due to the fact
- 15 that waste was placed outside of the -- not outside of the
- 16 footprint, but outside of a mandatory buffer that
- 17 San Diego County has imposed on their facilities. But
- 18 there's no change in the existing footprint.
- 19 In terms of existing CEQA documentation, this
- 20 landfill was grandfathered in, I believe, '78 or '79. And
- 21 it is -- there are other landfills that this has occurred
- 22 with. So the exemption is just for these two small
- 23 changes. And the remoteness and the smallness of this
- 24 particular landfill is the reason why staff reviewed the
- 25 exemption as well as our Legal staff and agreed that was

- 1 the adequate CEQA documentation.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: It will only require a new
- 3 environmental document when there is an expansion?
- 4 SUPERVISOR HAMBLETON: Yes, of course.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: Thank you.
- 6 SUPERVISOR HAMBLETON: You're welcome.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Do I have
- 8 a motion, Mr. Washington?
- 9 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Just before I make a
- 10 motion, I would like to thank the landfill operators for
- 11 conducting -- I read when they conducted a May 11th public
- 12 hearing. I would like to just thank the operators for
- 13 conducting the public hearings that they had. The LEA, I
- 14 believe, went down to those folks and had a public
- 15 hearing. Down in one of the little towns down there
- 16 somewhere, they had a public hearing. And I understand it
- 17 went well. The comments were made. People had a chance
- 18 to exercise their opinion. They wanted to know was this
- 19 landfill going to expand and all those kinds of things. I
- 20 think that's what the nuts and bolts of this is about. So
- 21 I really want to thank them for doing that and thank the
- 22 staff for working on this.
- 23 SUPERVISOR HAMBLETON: Correct. That's the
- 24 hearing that's required according to AB 1497 that the LEA
- 25 had initiated and held.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Great.
- With that, Madam Chair, I'd like to move adoption
- 3 of Resolution 2004-210 revised.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER MULÉ: Second.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: A motion by Mr.
- 6 Washington and seconded by Ms. Mulé.
- 7 Please call the roll.
- 8 SECRETARY WADDELL: Marin?
- 9 BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Aye.
- 10 SECRETARY WADDELL: Mulé?
- 11 BOARD MEMBER MULÉ: Aye.
- 12 SECRETARY WADDELL: Paparian?
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 14 SECRETARY WADDELL: Peace?
- BOARD MEMBER PEACE: Aye.
- 16 SECRETARY WADDELL: Washington?
- BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Aye.
- 18 SECRETARY WADDELL: Moulton-Patterson?
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- Ms. Marin.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Madam Chair, I just need
- 22 clarification as to how is it that we're going to be
- 23 bringing items and putting them on consent. I appreciate
- 24 the fact that any Board member can pull any item out of
- 25 consent. But I just need a specific guideline, because we

- 1 put the item on consent. And there was a 3-0, and it was
- 2 very, very clear that prior to not having Committees, all
- 3 of the items were for Board discussion, completely and
- 4 open, because there were no Committees. But when there
- 5 were Committees, even P&E when there was permits that had
- 6 a 3-0 or whatever, it was unanimous, it would
- 7 automatically go on consent. So I just need direction to
- 8 make sure that -- and I understand that any Board member
- 9 can pull any item at all. But I just need to have that
- 10 clarified.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I hear your
- 12 point. But in the past haven't all permits come to the
- 13 full Board?
- 14 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Actually, Madam Chair,
- 15 we've done it both ways over the history of the Board.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We need to settle
- 17 it then.
- 18 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: We've had Committees,
- 19 and Committees have put it on consent. They've come to
- 20 the Board for consent when we didn't have Committees. The
- 21 Board has taken all those items up. We've had Committees,
- 22 and the Board has resisted the temptation to put them on
- 23 consent and taken them up at the full Board meeting. So
- 24 we have truly done it every way possible.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I think that's

- 1 something the Board needs to decide so it doesn't happen
- 2 again. And we'll talk about that.
- 3 Did you want to speak to that, Ms. Peace?
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: I just want to say it's my
- 5 belief that when it comes to permits, the full Board
- 6 should hear them before voting. But I guess we can talk
- 7 about that in closed. Is that something we can talk about
- 8 in closed session?
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: That wouldn't be
- 10 closed session. But since it's not agendized can we -- we
- 11 need to settle it, though. But I don't know that --
- 12 Ms. Carter, what would you recommend?
- 13 CHIEF COUNSEL CARTER: Madam Chair, the Legal
- 14 Office will be bringing to the Board an opportunity to
- 15 review some of these processes. And they are -- the ones
- 16 we'll be bringing to you are discretionary so you can look
- 17 at them again fresh and determine which would be best,
- 18 considering the current make up of the Board and how the
- 19 Committees are structured. And that will be happening
- 20 within the next month or so.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you.
- You know, I do think it's something we really
- 23 need to look at, because permits are so important. Some
- 24 way if we could know there was a 3-0 vote, but yet have a
- 25 brief presentation or something, I do think it's important

- 1 that we take a vote on the permits. But that's something
- 2 I'd like to hear from Legal first, and then we can make a
- 3 decision on that, but so we're not in that uncomfortable
- 4 position of not knowing.
- 5 Ms. Marin.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Madam Chair, the only reason
- 7 is because oftentimes -- and I'm doing it for the people
- 8 that maybe would not even come, because they know their
- 9 item is on consent and then to literally pull a fast one
- 10 on them.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We wouldn't want
- 12 to do that.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER MARIN: But I will follow the will
- 14 of the Board, but I think we need to be very clear.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I think so, too.
- 16 One thing that we have said, at least while I've been
- 17 Chair, is that anything is likely to come to the Board.
- 18 Do not take the Committee system as -- even if you get a
- 19 recommendation, don't take that as, you know, it's going
- 20 to be a done deal.
- 21 And I think when we had a report from the
- 22 Attorney General's Office, that special -- I can't
- 23 remember his name, but the expert on it, he cautioned us
- 24 about letting the Committee structure act as the Board.
- 25 And so I really want to take that into consideration.

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- I see your point, but I think it's really good so
- 2 we all understand the ground rules. So I'll be looking
- 3 forward to your legal opinion on that.
- 4 Okay. Thank you.
- 5 We did call the roll on that one, didn't we? I'm
- 6 on a little cold medication today. You've got to excuse
- 7 me. I'm a little stuffed up.
- 8 Anyway, okay. That brings us to the
- 9 Sustainability and Market Development section of our
- 10 agenda. And Mr. Paparian is the Chair of that Committee.
- 11 And I would like to ask him to report on his Committee.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 13 We heard nine items in the Committee. One went
- 14 on fiscal consensus. Seven items were on consent. And
- 15 one discussion item was heard in the Committee only. That
- 16 one related to a plan that was put together for the Waste
- 17 Prevention and Market Development Division, and I think
- 18 what that really showed us is the remarkable amount of
- 19 work that the division is doing and a lot of the creative
- 20 thinking they've engaged in on what can be done more
- 21 effectively and efficiently over the next couple of years.
- 22 I think all the Committee really appreciated hearing that.
- 23 And I think there's a copy of the item in the binder, and
- 24 I'd recommend it to the members who didn't have a chance
- 25 to hear that presentation.

- 1 So the item that's coming before us, I think
- 2 we'll get the description of right now. It's an RMDZ loan
- 3 item.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you,
- 5 Mr. Paparian.
- 6 Ms. Wohl.
- 7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Morning, Madam Chair and
- 8 Board member.
- 9 Agenda Item 4 is Consideration of the Recycling
- 10 Market Development Revolving Loan Program Application for
- 11 ITEC Environmental Group, Inc. This project is projected
- 12 to divert 15,000 tons of PET postconsumer plastic bottles
- 13 and create 45 new jobs. The facility will be located in
- 14 Riverbank, California, within the Stanislaus County RMDZ.
- 15 The proposed RMDZ loan will fund \$2 million, and staff
- 16 recommends that the Board approve Agenda Item 4 and adopt
- 17 Resolution 2004-221 in the amount of \$2 million.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you.
- 19 Mr. Paparian.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: If there's no questions,
- 21 I'd like to move Resolution 2004-221.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Second.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion
- 24 by Mr. Paparian, seconded by Ms. Marin to approve
- 25 Resolution 2004-221.

1 Without objection, please substitute the previous

- 2 roll call.
- 3 That brings us to Item 14 that will also be
- 4 presented by Ms. Wohl.
- 5 But before she starts, just so we're really clear
- 6 on ex partes, I received for all the Board and I think
- 7 everybody got a copy of it -- I don't know if they got it
- 8 in time. But we did receive four faxes regarding Item 14
- 9 on the e-waste fee.
- 10 Number one, the National Resources Defense
- 11 Council, don't delay until February 2005 was the gist of
- 12 it.
- 13 Number two, Southern California Recyclers, Inc.,
- 14 supports delay.
- 15 Number three, Jane Bogner, Sierra Club, don't
- 16 delay.
- 17 And number four, Californians Against Waste
- 18 opposes the delay. However, Ms. Bruce did speak to
- 19 Mr. Murray after the e-mail and said he understood the
- 20 process our staff is suggesting, but he's here so he can
- 21 speak for himself, and he has a speaker slip.
- 22 And with that, I will turn it back over to
- 23 Ms. Wohl.
- 24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Yes. Agenda Item 14,
- 25 Consideration of Emergency Amendment Without Regulatory

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- 1 Effect of E-Waste Regulation to Conform to Law Change in
- 2 AB 901. And I'd like to introduce Shirley Willd-Wagner,
- 3 and she'll be introducing Bob Conheim.
- 4 BRANCH MANAGER WILLD-WAGNER: Good morning, Chair
- 5 Moulton-Patterson and Board members. I'm Shirley
- 6 Willd-Wagner, and I'm heading up the Electronic Waste Team
- 7 here at the Board. And since we were last here in April,
- 8 I just wanted to update you on some of the activities.
- 9 We, of course, had two new members join the Board since
- 10 then, so I wanted to update you on the activities of the
- 11 Electronic Waste Team, which we finally refer to as the
- 12 E-Team.
- 13 This is truly an inter-divisional and
- 14 inter-departmental team. Mark Leary allocated resources
- 15 from the Special Waste Division, Waste Prevention Market
- 16 Development Division, the Legal Office, Policy Office,
- 17 Legislative Office. We have support, of course, from
- 18 Administration and Finance and Public Affairs Office, as
- 19 well as with the Department of Toxic Substances Control.
- 20 Mark has recently suggested -- has directed that
- 21 our team now be consolidated in the Waste Prevention and
- 22 Market Development Committee -- Division, and the impact I
- 23 wanted to mention and put on the record here for the
- 24 stakeholders is that we will now be coming with the waste
- 25 issues to the Sustainability and Market Committee, rather

- 1 than the Special Waste Committee in the future.
- 2 One of our main focuses over the past couple of
- 3 months has been in accepting and reviewing applications
- 4 from electronic waste recyclers and collectors who are
- 5 applying to us to be approved to participate in the
- 6 payment system identified in SB 20. In order accomplish
- 7 this, we've worked very closely with the Department of
- 8 Toxic Substances Control. The collaboration has been
- 9 necessary for the inspections and to verify the
- 10 information to ensure that collectors and recyclers are in
- 11 compliance and conformance with applicable laws and
- 12 regulations.
- 13 Also I had in my notes I was going to say exactly
- 14 what Mike Paparian already said earlier this morning,
- 15 acknowledging our staff in the computer services IMB
- 16 staff. For those new members, you probably may not know,
- 17 but we have the very best in the state and they were able
- 18 to develop a database for this whole process of accepting
- 19 and tracking applications from collectors and recyclers.
- 20 So I also wanted to acknowledge and appreciate that
- 21 support.
- We've continued with our stakeholder
- 23 communication. We have a list serve distribution which
- 24 allows us to provide up-to-the-minute almost instantaneous
- 25 news to all of our stakeholders who have shown an interest

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- 1 in and has subscribed to our list serve. This is really
- 2 necessary with the changes that happen hourly, daily in
- 3 the legislative process, the regulatory process with SB
- 4 20. And some of you may have seen over the weekend -- in
- 5 fact, there was a news story an KCRA Channel 3 talking
- 6 about electronic waste collection in the city of Lodi.
- 7 Our operators -- they gave the Board's phone number at the
- 8 end, the 341-6000 number. And I got several calls 7:00
- 9 Monday morning, we've got all these voice mails, what do
- 10 we tell them?
- 11 Because of the electronic waste directory that we
- 12 have on our database, our receptionists and staff were
- 13 able to answer phone calls from over 50 people yesterday
- 14 as a result of this story. There was free collection in
- 15 the city of Lodi, and everybody wanted to know where they
- 16 could get it next in Roseville and Rocklin and Elk Grove
- 17 and everywhere else.
- 18 So we got some good publicity out of that.
- 19 Unfortunately, we didn't have the advance knowledge so we
- 20 didn't have all of the scripted answers ready. But we
- 21 were able to refer people not only to our electronic
- 22 product directory, but also to our very successful
- 23 partnership that you may be aware of between Office Depo
- 24 and Hewlitt-Packard to accept electronic devices from the
- 25 public free of charge through Labor Day. So we had a

- 1 couple of resources, which was really good for our
- 2 program.
- 3 Lastly, we're continuing to work on Senate Bill
- 4 50 by Byron Sher which are cleanup amendments to SB 20.
- 5 The last time we were before you, we mentioned we were
- 6 still continuing to work with the Board of Equalization
- 7 that may collect the fee. If SB 50 does pass, the Board
- 8 of Equalization will be required to collect the fee. So
- 9 we're working very closely with them, meeting with them to
- 10 ensure that language in SB 50 reflects their needs, what
- 11 will make it both efficient and effective to collect the
- 12 fee and also to be able to respond to questions from the
- 13 stakeholders.
- I wanted to make sure that you realize that as
- 15 these things do change daily, the staff of the E-Team is
- 16 available to you to answer any clarification questions.
- 17 Any issues that may come up, be sure to contact anyone or
- 18 myself on the team.
- 19 I mentioned the inter-divisional support. And
- 20 certainly one of the great benefits has been having a
- 21 Senior Staff Counsel assigned to the Electronic Waste
- 22 Team. Bob Conheim not only provides us with good sound
- 23 guidance and advice, but also humor when we need it. It's
- 24 been an overwhelming project. Bob's got a real good even
- 25 sense of humor that keeps us going. He's going to present

- 1 today's item.
- 2 So I'll turn it over to Bob at this time. Thank
- 3 you.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 5 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: Thank you, Patty and
- 6 Shirley and Board members. I'm Bob Conheim of the Legal
- 7 staff. I've never heard my sense of humor described as
- 8 even handed or anything but perverted, but I've tried real
- 9 hard to keep us on an even keel.
- 10 This is a very difficult law to implement. But
- 11 what I'm bringing to you today is, by definition, by legal
- 12 definition, a very simple change to a single regulation in
- 13 the regulations that you adopted for the program in April.
- 14 And the reason we're bringing this to you is that the
- 15 regulation that we are proposing to ask you to approve to
- 16 change is the regulation that established a date from
- 17 which time covered electronic waste could be eligible to
- 18 be collected and would be eligible for payment under the
- 19 system established by SB 20.
- 20 Because AB 901 in the spring signed June 30th at
- 21 about 6:30 p.m. changed the date for the beginning of the
- 22 payment of the covered electronic waste recycling fee from
- 23 the next day, July 1, 2004, to November 1st, 2004, the
- 24 regulation that you adopted in April establishing October
- 25 1st as the date from which covered electronic waste would

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- 1 be eligible for payment under the system was out of sync
- 2 with the statute. When you adopted that regulation, you
- 3 established a --
- 4 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 5 presented as follows.)
- 6 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: There we go. It's fine.
- 7 Thank you for doing that. I actually forgot it was there.
- 8 When you adopted that regulation, you established
- 9 a 90-day period between the beginning of fee payment by
- 10 consumers to the point at which covered electronic waste
- 11 would be eligible for payment under the system. It gave a
- 12 90-day fund accumulation period.
- 13 So what we're proposing to you today in this
- 14 regulation is to move the start of that payment
- 15 eligibility date to February 1st, 2005, to continue and
- 16 maintain the 90-day period, the three-month period, from
- 17 the beginning of the fee collection date to the beginning
- 18 of the payment system eligibility date.
- 19 We can do this both as an emergency regulation,
- 20 because we don't have a lot of time before October 1st,
- 21 and as a regulation without -- as a regulation change
- 22 without regulatory effect, a so-called Section 100 change.
- 23 And a Section 100 change refers to regulations of the
- 24 Office of Administrative Law which allows for an
- 25 abbreviated and expedited process for changing

- 1 regulations, which, once changed, have no legal difference
- 2 than the regulation that was in effect before the change.
- 3 And in fact, what I would like to explain to you
- 4 and show you on the slide -- there are two slides. I'll
- 5 toggle between the two of them -- is that if you approve
- 6 this regulation, you are merely maintaining the
- 7 three-month period between the beginning date for the
- 8 payment of the covered electronic waste recycling fee and
- 9 the start of the period of time after which recyclers can
- 10 submit claims for covered electronic waste which they are
- 11 recycling. So we're actually changing nothing legally by
- 12 doing this, and that's what we're proposing to you.
- 13 The earlier regulations were subject to a
- 14 categorical exemption under the California Environmental
- 15 Quality Act in this regulation as an administrative
- 16 regulation is also subject to that exemption. The
- 17 exemption is reflected -- use of that exemption is
- 18 reflected in the resolution that you are being asked to
- 19 consider.
- 20 I'll call your attention to the slides, and let
- 21 me just show you the second one. Let me see if I can get
- 22 to it here.
- --000--
- 24 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: There's two slides. I'll
- 25 go back to the first one. In the top bar, this was

- 1 prepared by Jeff Hunts who, whenever body had a dropped
- 2 jaw about who knew how to do Power Point in this manner,
- 3 everybody said, "I don't know. I don't know. I don't
- 4 know, "Jeff said, "I don't know, but I'll do it." And he
- 5 did it. So he deserves recognition for that.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 7 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: As you can see from the
- 8 blue box, fee collection begins under the SB 20, it
- 9 began -- it was to begin July 2004. Then there would have
- 10 been a three-month revenue accrual period until October
- 11 when the covered electronic waste collection payment
- 12 system would have kicked in. What we're proposing -- I'm
- 13 going to skip over the second bar.
- 14 --000--
- 15 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: What we're proposing is
- 16 to maintain the exact same relationship between the fee
- 17 collection date and the covered electronic waste
- 18 collection and payment system start, the same three-month
- 19 interval.
- --000--
- 21 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: But if we don't do it,
- 22 what we have is a revenue gap. The collection actually
- 23 would begin 30 days before the new fee collection would
- 24 begin. And as you know, you can't pay out of a fund for
- 25 which there's no money. So what I'm proposing to you,

- 1 what we, as staff, are recommending is what we consider to
- 2 be this minor regulatory change, which is fiscally
- 3 responsible which doesn't change the legal relationship
- 4 between the dates that are spawned by AB 901, the new
- 5 law --
- --000--
- 7 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: -- allows the collection
- 8 system to begin at a time and for payments to begin after
- 9 funds are deposited in the account.
- 10 And at this point, I'd like to make myself
- 11 available for questions. This has been difficult to
- 12 explain to you. So I'm certain I've not been as clear
- 13 as --
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Washington
- 15 has a question.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- Just so I can be clear, we're talking about two
- 18 dates here, dates consumer paid and dates we paid the
- 19 recyclers.
- 20 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: That's correct.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: So you're saying that
- 22 we need to change the date because there will be no money
- 23 in the fund to pay this if we don't use this delay
- 24 process; is that correct?
- 25 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: That's also correct, yes.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: So I would like to hear
- 2 from those who are opposing this as to why wouldn't you
- 3 want the money there? Because if we continue to do this,
- 4 it sounds like we don't have any money to pay anyway. I
- 5 mean, I'd like to hear from those who are in opposition to
- 6 why we wouldn't delay this.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 9 And there is a cash flow issue. I think on one
- 10 of the slides it showed that the money wouldn't be coming
- 11 in until around May from the BOE collection. They're
- 12 going to allow the collections to occur for five months
- 13 before the money is transmitted to the state. So I think
- 14 this gets at the issue of whether we can identify another
- 15 pot of money to cover our payments out in anticipation of
- 16 the money coming in in May.
- BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Is there a pot of
- 18 money?
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Basically, whatever we
- 20 can borrow from the general fund or some other fund in
- 21 order to cover those anticipated revenues. And I think
- 22 that gets to the heart of the question about when we can
- 23 start the payments. You know, I think all of us would
- 24 love to start the payments on the day that the fees are
- 25 collected. But if there's no money in the checking

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- 1 account, we can't do that. We have to find a source of
- 2 money to put in that checking account. And we might get
- 3 into that a little bit more a little bit later after --
- 4 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: We're going to borrow
- 5 from Peter to pay Paul type of thing.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah. I think over a
- 7 year and a half or two years it ought to all work out.
- 8 I've seen the spreadsheets and stuff. The problem is in
- 9 this first fiscal year, which ends June 30th, we only have
- 10 one payment to BOE in May covering five months of
- 11 payments.
- 12 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: The only thing that we
- 13 know at this point -- the only thing that we know is that
- 14 the date for the beginning of collection of the fee from
- 15 consumers has moved to November 1st. That's the single
- 16 fact that we know. We know that we are seeking answers to
- 17 questions about whether there's other money available or
- 18 just how the collection system is going to work.
- 19 What we also don't know at this point is what
- 20 changes SB 50 may make in this regard and the problem with
- 21 our waiting on the supposition there will be an SB 50
- 22 signed is that the timing of bringing this item to you
- 23 requires that I propose it to you this month, because by
- 24 next month I wouldn't have time to propose to you
- 25 something that would be effective October 1st. So all

- 1 we're proposing is just the simple change based on the
- 2 single fact we know, the November 1st fact.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: As you say, Bob, there
- 4 are some things you don't know. One of them would be
- 5 whether another pot could be identified and authorized by
- 6 the Department of Finance. There's been some speculation
- 7 that our friends at the Department of Conservation may be
- 8 sitting on some money. There's been some speculation that
- 9 others may be sitting on some money that we can borrow to
- 10 cover this. But that money has not been identified or
- 11 allocated in any way yet.
- 12 If some of those funds were identified and
- 13 allocated and made available for this, my understanding is
- 14 that we could come back and adopt an emergency regulation
- 15 to move up the date from February, if we had the money to
- 16 cover it, and that we could adopt that emergency
- 17 regulation at virtually any of the Board meetings coming
- 18 up, and they could take effect on the first of the month
- 19 following any Board meeting.
- 20 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: That's an accurate
- 21 statement. It takes 10 or 15 days. There's a legal
- 22 10-day review period by Office of Administrative Law.
- 23 Let's call it 15 days for paperwork processing. So we
- 24 could be responsive to you, Board members, in proposing
- 25 new legal authority if there was new law or new facts that

- 1 occurred at any time. And we're prepared to be as
- 2 responsive as the law allows us to be with following all
- 3 of the processes. But we can abbreviate them. There are
- 4 abbreviated processes, emergency reg processes available.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 6 And Mr. Paparian, thanks for pointing that out
- 7 and putting it so clearly.
- 8 Ms. Peace and then Ms. Marin.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: So I guess from what I
- 10 understand, what we're proposing today is just a temporary
- 11 fix, depending on what happens with SB 50, and that we
- 12 might have to come back and change it again depending on
- 13 what happens with the bill.
- 14 STAFF COUNSEL CONHEIM: That's correct. I mean,
- 15 it's permanent if nothing else changes, or it's permanent
- 16 until the Board decides to do something else. But this is
- 17 a change that we are able to propose to you based on
- 18 Section 100 and emergency regs based on this legal status
- 19 quo existing at this time. And we can bring -- we can be
- 20 responsive to other legal or fiscal availability changes.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. I
- 22 think we understand that now.
- Ms. Marin.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Madam Chair, the only thing
- 25 I understand very, very clearly is that we need to do

- 1 this, and this is erring on the side of caution. Because
- 2 if we do not do this and then other things happen, then we
- 3 would not have the time to be able to respond. So as far
- 4 as I'm concerned, this enables us to respond in the most
- 5 appropriate way when we have more known facts.
- Today, the only thing we know is that the
- 7 collection fee from consumers changed three months. And
- 8 based on that, this would give us the cushion that we need
- 9 to be able to respond appropriately when other things
- 10 change. So --
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Great. Okay. I
- 12 don't see any other questions so we're going to go to the
- 13 public speakers.
- 14 Mark Murray, Californians Against Waste.
- 15 MR. MURRAY: Madam Chair, Members, Mark Murray
- 16 with Californians Against Waste. And I appreciate the
- 17 time that I've had. In the last 24 hours, had an
- 18 opportunity to talk with a number of your staff and a
- 19 number of Board members about this issue and appreciate
- 20 the time and the thoughtfulness that you've given me on
- 21 this.
- 22 And I understand and accept the need to pursue
- 23 the Section 100 process for this delay beyond October 1st.
- 24 I recognize that it doesn't make sense to use that October
- 25 1st date in the context of a November 1st payment by the

- 1 consumer date. So I understand that. I accept that.
- 2 The issue that I think that we all need to
- 3 jointly be pursuing, both legislatively and
- 4 administratively, is figuring out how the Board is going
- 5 to have the resources to pay recyclers, whether it's
- 6 January 1st, November 1st, or February 1st.
- 7 I think that Jeff's spreadsheet or chart up there
- 8 is very helpful. If you look at that chart, you see that
- 9 the Board will not be receiving -- under the scenario, the
- 10 Board will not be receiving funds from the Board of
- 11 Equalization until May at the earliest. That means that
- 12 there is a gap between the February 1st date and the May
- 13 date. So you won't have the money to pay recyclers even
- 14 on that date. Again, that's a cash flow problem.
- 15 I think that given the commitment that recyclers
- 16 have made in California, we need to make every effort to
- 17 coincide the dates of the consumer payment and the
- 18 opportunity for the consumer to get that free recycling.
- 19 And that would be coinciding that those two dates, whether
- 20 that's November 1st or January 1st.
- 21 Mr. Conheim said that the one thing we know as a
- 22 fact is that the consumer payment will start on November
- 23 1st. And I'm frankly concerned that that fact may be
- 24 sliding a little bit and that the Board of Equalization
- 25 has, again, lost their enthusiasm for collecting the fee

- 1 on November 1st. And, again, I think, you know, we were
- 2 in error in not forcing them to do that collection on
- 3 November 1st.
- 4 So I think at this point I understand why you
- 5 need to take that action using the Section 100 rule. But
- 6 I want to continue to work with your staff, with Mark and
- 7 with Julie, to figure out how can we put on the table in
- 8 SB 50 not only the cleanup legislation that needs to be in
- 9 that bill, but in the statute putting the two dates
- 10 together, the consumer payment date and the recycler
- 11 payment date, so a consumer that goes to a Best Buy and
- 12 buys a new computer and finds out they had to pay a fee
- 13 and that afternoon wants to go to a drop-off recycling
- 14 center to drop off their old computer doesn't get tagged a
- 15 second time so they're paying two fees in the same day or
- 16 during the same period of time.
- 17 So, again, I understand why you have to make
- 18 this. I'm opposed to the notion from a policy perspective
- 19 of having a three-month gap between the pay-in and the
- 20 pay-out. I understand why out of an abundance of caution
- 21 given what we know right now that's the policy you need to
- 22 pursue right now. But I'm asking the Board to direct your
- 23 staff and to have your staff, frankly, continue to work
- 24 with me on trying to identify those funds that the Board
- 25 could have the authority to borrow so we can make those

- 1 two dates coincide. Again, be it November 1st ideally, or
- 2 worst-case scenario given the disposition of the Board of
- 3 Equalization, January 1st.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 5 Mr. Murray. And that's a good point.
- 6 And I certainly would direct our staff to
- 7 continue to work with Mr. Murray on this, because I
- 8 certainly am in agreement with him on that.
- 9 With that -- oh, Ms. Hunter, you have a speaker
- 10 slip here. Now did you want to speak now or wait until
- 11 the public comment part? We'd love to hear you now,
- 12 because you are pretty much the last speaker.
- 13 MS. HUNTER: Good morning. Thank you. Yvonne
- 14 Hunter with the League of California Cities.
- And as much as, similar to what Mark said, I
- 16 would like to say no, no, don't change the date, it is not
- 17 fiscally prudent for you to do that. And, clearly, this
- 18 is the proverbial between a rock and a hard place. And if
- 19 you did anything else, I think you would be breaching your
- 20 fiduciary responsibility.
- 21 With that being said, though, I would like to
- 22 echo what Mark said. First of all, I know the Board
- 23 members themselves, CalEPA agency, and your staff are
- 24 working as hard as you can to explore a number of avenues
- 25 for getting BOE to move smartly along, for a loan, and I

- 1 think that's laudable. I think if there is anything the
- 2 various stakeholders can do in the sense of coalition
- 3 letters or whatever to help in that process, I know we're
- 4 all happy to do that.
- 5 I think that the difficulty is going to be --
- 6 and we've discussed this when the original regulations
- 7 were adopted. The tension between the consumer paying the
- 8 fee on a certain date, having the program advertised as
- 9 free and convenient, yet the collectors, which are both
- 10 private companies as well as primarily public agencies,
- 11 not getting paid until later.
- 12 Now, if there is some potential down the line, if
- 13 it is fiscally prudent, to be able to get reimbursed
- 14 retroactively for what you did collect early on, that
- 15 would be something we think would be appropriate for the
- 16 Board to consider. But you have no options right now.
- 17 So I think we support this proposal. If
- 18 something changes, I'm heartened to hear Bob say next
- 19 month, assuming a loan comes through, you could adopt
- 20 another regulation. So I think your staff has done a
- 21 great job. You have all done a great job. So let's hope
- 22 that we find a pot of money. Maybe we should all by
- 23 lottery tickets. Thank you very much.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Ms.
- 25 Hunter. Thank you for being here and letting us know your

- 1 position.
- Okay. Mr. Paparian. Item 14, you want to --
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 4 And I think I'm sensing from my fellow Board
- 5 members a general agreement that if we can identify the
- 6 pot of money that would make this work, I think we all
- 7 would love to see or desire to see the payments to
- 8 collectors happen at the same time the fee collection
- 9 starts.
- 10 You know, I'm very sympathetic to the scenario
- 11 Mr. Murray suggested where someone buys a new television
- 12 or monitor, pays a fee on it, takes their old one down and
- 13 has to pay another fee because this program hasn't kicked
- 14 in yet. I would not be a happy consumer if I was in that
- 15 position.
- To the extent we can re-double our efforts to
- 17 find those pots of money -- and I'd also encourage the
- 18 supporters of this program to continue to work with us.
- 19 We'll continue to work with you. And you may have to also
- 20 do some of your magic in other ways as well to try to put
- 21 the pressure necessary to try to identify and utilize some
- 22 of those funds.
- 23 So, you know, I think we're all there. That's
- 24 what we would like to see if we can make it happen. But
- 25 this is what we've got before us and what we need to do.

- 1 So I'll move Resolution 2004-212.
- BOARD MEMBER MARIN: Second.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We have a
- 4 motion by Mr. Paparian, seconded by Ms. Marin to approve
- 5 Resolution 2004-212.
- 6 Without any objections, please substitute the
- 7 previous roll call.
- 8 Our last item, we're going back to Special Waste.
- 9 It's Item 15. I understand, Mr. Lee, this is a brief
- 10 item.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: Yes, it is.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: The reason I say
- 13 that is I don't think we'll take a break right now, unless
- 14 it's going to be long.
- 15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR LEE: No, Madam Chair. This
- 16 should be a brief item.
- 17 Board Item 15 is Consideration of Amendment to
- 18 the Award of Fiscal Year 2004/2005 Tire Fund for the Tracy
- 19 Tire Contract, IWM-C2017.
- 20 The purpose of this agenda item is to allow the
- 21 Board to formally approve a \$1.7 million increase to the
- 22 Sukut Engineering contract for fiscal year 2004/05 to
- 23 reflect previous Board direction and fund allocations in
- 24 the Five-Year plan. This item was heard by the Special
- 25 Waste Committee and recommended for fiscal consent. Staff

- 1 recommends the Board approve Resolution 2004-223.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Thank you.
- 3 Ms. Peace.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PEACE: If there aren't any
- 5 questions, I'd like to move Resolution 2004-223,
- 6 Consideration of the Amendment to Award Fiscal Year
- 7 2004/2005 Tire Funds for the Tracy Tire Fire Contract.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: Second.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have a motion
- 10 by Ms. Peace, seconded by Mr. Washington to approve
- 11 Resolution 2004-223.
- 12 Without objection, please substitute the previous
- 13 roll call.
- 14 Thank you, Mr. Lee.
- 15 And that concludes the public part of our agenda.
- 16 I'm not going to give any advise to whoever the
- 17 new Chair is, with the exception of don't get in the way
- 18 of Board members and lunch. So that's why I'm going to
- 19 open it up.
- 20 Mr. Leary, how long are you going to need?
- 21 Because some would like to do it before lunch and take the
- 22 time than take a late lunch and others might not. Could
- 23 you give us a brief -- I mean, a general idea of about how
- 24 long you need.
- 25 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: Madam Chair, a little

- 1 bit of a down side is I need a little bit of time to get
- 2 ready for closed session. And then closed session itself,
- 3 I imagine, will take somewhere in the neighborhood of an
- 4 hour to two hours, depending on the level of discussion.
- 5 So if I could make a recommendation, it would be to maybe
- 6 take an early lunch and maybe re-gather at 12:30 or
- 7 whatever the Board cares to do.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Some have some
- 9 conflicts. Let me hear from the Board members. But thank
- 10 you for giving us that time estimate.
- 11 Mr. Washington.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER WASHINGTON: I just have a meeting
- 13 from 12:15 to about 1:00 so --
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: So would you
- 15 rather re-convene at 1:00 and have our closed session
- 16 then? And that would give you enough time, Mr. Leary?
- 17 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEARY: I'd appreciate that,
- 18 Madam Chair.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We will
- 20 re-convene for our closed session at 1:00. And probably
- 21 about an hour, two hours. And I know the Board had asked
- 22 for that, for a full explanation. So that's why it's a
- 23 little longer than usual. Thank you very much everybody.
- 24 (Thereupon the California Integrated Waste
- 25 Management Board, Board of Administration

1 recessed into closed session at 11:01 a.m.)

2 (Thereupon the California Integrated Waste

3 Management Board, Board of Administration

4 adjourned at 3:15 p.m.)

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